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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Lynn Kunzler, Senior Reclamation Specialist

RE:

Site Inspection, American Stone Company, Peoa Blonde Quarry, S/043/012, Summit

County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

May 29, 1998

Time of Inspection:

2:00 p.m.

Conditions:

Clear, warm

Participants:

Bons Obiadi, Summit County; Lynn Kunzler and Tom Munson, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To document site conditions and conduct vegetation survey.

This inspection was conducted while in the general area and resulting from other state officials indicating that they felt the quarry has expanded beyond the five (5) acre limit to qualify as a small mining operation. During a September 30, 1997 meeting with Mr. Lon Thomas of American Stone regarding the Cotton Thomas site, Mr. Thomas indicated that he might be over 5 acres at the Peoa site, but only if the area where a trailer had been moved in was included. The Division indicated that if he was over the 5 acre limit he needed to submit a Notice of Intention to Conduct Large Mining Operations before the next site inspection. To date, the Division has not received a Large Mine Notice.

Upon arriving at the site, the initial estimation of the disturbed area was in excess of 10 acres. The perimeter of the disturbance was walked with a Global Positioning System Roving Unit to determine the extent of disturbance. The areas where the two trailers (one in the northeast corner and one in the southeast corner) were excluded from the disturbed area measured. Results of this measurement showed in excess of 12 acres of disturbance. This is well beyond the 5 acre limit for a Small Mining Operation.

Other noticeable changes that have taken place since the last inspection (besides the addition of the trailers and the increased size) include: installation of truck scales and scale house; a portable rock tumbler (mounted on semi-trailer); a rock guillotine; and a large (estimated several thousand gallon capacity) buried tank, which is possibly a water supply for the rock tumbler. Also noted were an estimated 1,000 pallets of stone ready for shipping (dates on tags observed were all during 1998).

Several photos were taken to document site conditions.

cc:

Lon Thomas, American Stone Dan Moquin, AG's Office Bons Obiadi, Summit County

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